



**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA**

IN RE:

**CHAPTER 13 CASE
NO. 08-12738**

CHONITA MEANS

Debtor.

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN**

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT OF
PROFESSIONAL PERSON FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE**

Before me the undersigned authority, a notary public, in and for said state and county, personally appeared James D. Patterson, Esq. who, being duly sworn by me, deposes and says under oath as follows:

My name is James D. Patteson. I am presently affiliated with The Law Offices of Earl P. Underwood, Jr. whose office is located at 21 South Section Street, Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama. I am an attorney duly admitted to the practice of law in the State of Alabama. I was engaged by the debtor to represent her regarding a cause of action against Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Inc. on June 19, 2007. The terms of my representation with the debtor are for compensation on an undivided contingent interest in said claim in the amount of fifty percent of recovery, gain or benefit, plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses. However, if there is no recovery, the undersigned acknowledges the bankruptcy estate of CHONITA MEANS shall not be responsible for payment of any attorney's fees or for the reimbursement of any out-of-pocket expenses. To date, I have not received any compensation from the debtor or any other entity in connection with my representation. I understand that I cannot share any compensation with attorneys other than members of my firm unless said professionals are also approved by this

Court. I do not have any agreement to share compensation with other attorneys in this matter except: Kenneth J. Riemer.

I do not represent or hold any interest adverse to the debtor or the estate with respect to the matter upon which I am seeking to be employed.

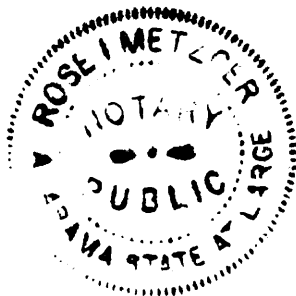
I have no connection with the Trustee, creditors, Bankruptcy Administrator, or any other parties in interest, the debtor, or their respective attorneys, other than with the representation of the debtor in the lawsuit for which I am applying for my employment as a professional person for this specific purpose.

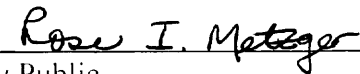
The facts as stated herein are true and correct in all cases where I have personal knowledge and other remaining facts and opinions are true and correct according to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that upon completion of this case, by settlement or otherwise, that I must make separate application for the approval of any settlements recovered on behalf of the debtor and/or the estate pursuant to LBR 9007-1. I also understand that I must make a separate application for the approval of my fees and expenses pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §326, 327, 328 and Rules 2014 and 2016 of The Bankruptcy Rules of Procedure.


James D. Patterson

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN

Sworn to and submitted before me on this the 2ND day of October, 2008.




Notary Public
My Commission expires: 17 March 2010

